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Letter dated 20 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the President of the Human Rights Council

I have the honour to submit herewith information on ceasefire violations by the armed forces of the Republic of Armenia across the line of contact in the occupied territories of the Republic of Azerbaijan, as well as across the State border between Armenia and Azerbaijan, in January and February 2018 (see annex).

I would like to emphasize that systematic violations of the ceasefire regime by Armenia have become more frequent and violent in recent times, resulting in killings and injuries of Azerbaijani servicemen and civilians. These actions of Armenia constitute a serious violation of international humanitarian and human rights law, in particular the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and Additional Protocol I thereto, the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms.

The only way to ensure full respect for the rights of the civilian population is the unconditional and complete withdrawal of the Armenian armed forces from the Nagorno-Karabakh region and other occupied territories of Azerbaijan, as demanded in the relevant Security Council resolutions.

In order to prevent the reoccurrence of such violations, it is important that the international community, including the Human Rights Council, respond accordingly to these situations by expressing serious concern over the violations of international humanitarian and human rights law by Armenia and condemning the perpetrators.

I would be most appreciative if you could kindly circulate the present letter and its annex* as a document of the thirty-eighth session of the Human Rights Council under agenda item 4.

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Annex to the letter dated 20 April 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the President of the Human Rights Council

Violations of the ceasefire by the armed forces of the Republic of Armenia for January 2018**

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*	*Casualties and damage*
1–31 January	**Aghdam district, Azerbaijan**			
	Afatly village	AK	28	
	Ahmadali village	AK	32	
	Ahmadaghali village	AK	58	
	Ayag Garvand village	AK	21	
	Bash Garvand village	AK	2	
	Chamanly village	AK	94	
	Chiragly village	AK/AKM	67	
	Evoghlu village	AK	5	
	Garadaghli village	AK/AKM	27	
	Mammadbaghirly village	AK	50	
	Mirashilly village	AK	48	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/SVD	141	1 serviceman of the armed forces of Azerbaijan was wounded
	Orta Garvand	AK	45	
	Saryjaly village	AK	10	
	Shikhlar village	DShK	1	
	Shuraabad village	AK	4	
	Yuzbashily village	AK	6	
	Zangishaly village	AK/AKM	40	
	Aghjabadi district, Azerbaijan			
	Gyamaddynly village	AK/AKM	128	1 serviceman of the armed forces of Azerbaijan was killed
	Minakhorlu village	AK	16	

** Settlements of the Republic of Azerbaijan included in this information are under occupation by the Republic of Armenia or situated close to the fire point areas.

*** AK: Kalashnikov assault rifle; AKM: modernized Kalashnikov assault rifle; DShK: heavy machine gun; OCV: 9 mm automatic sniper rifle; PKM: modernized Kalashnikov machine gun; RPG: handheld anti-tank grenade launcher; SVD: sniper rifle; 60 mm M: mortar.

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*	*Casualties and damage*
	Dashkasan district, Azerbaijan			
	Alkhanchally village	AKM	12	
	Tazakand village	DShK	2	
	Zivilyan village	AKM	17	
	Fizuli district, Azerbaijan			
	Ashagy Abdurrahmanli village	AK/AKM	86	
	Alkhanly village	AK	67	
	Horadiz village	AK	97	
	Shukurbayli village	AK/60 mm M	531	
	Opposite positions	AK	77	
	Gazakh district, Azerbaijan			
	Alibayramly village	AKM	1	
	Ashaghi Askipara village	AKM	3	
	Bala Jafarli village	AK/AKM	24	
	Farahli village	AK	11	
	Jafarli village	AK/AKM	21	
	Gaymagly village	AKM/DShK	25	
	Gushchu Ayrim village	AKM	30	
	Gyzylhajili village	AK/AKM	30	
	Kamarli village	AK/AKM/DShK	37	
	Kohna Gyshlag village	AK/AKM/DShK	31	
	Mazam village	AK/AKM	20	
	Musakoy village	AK/AKM	38	
	Shikhly village	AK	1	
	Unnamed heights	AK	34	
	Gedebey district, Azerbaijan			
	Chalburun village	AKM/PKM	9	
	Galakand village	AK/AKM/DShK	5	
	Gasimaghali village	AKM	18	
	Goyali village	AKM/DShK	26	
	Mutudara village	AKM	25	
	Novoivanovka village	AKM	16	
	Zamanly village	AKM	21	
	Unnamed heights	AKM	18	
	Goranboy district, Azerbaijan			
	Balligaya village	AKM	7	
	Bashgishlag village	AK	3	
	Gargujag village	AKM	21	
	Gulustan village	AKM/DShK	58	

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*	*Casualties and damage*
	Kharkhaput village	AKM	17	
	Opposite positions	AK	9	
	Tapgaragoyunlu village	AK/AKM/DShK	94	
	Unnamed heights	AKM	13	
	Unnamed positions	AKM	49	
	Yenikand village	AKM	42	
	Yukhari Agjakend village	AKM	3	
	Zeyva village	AKM	16	
	Goygol district, Azerbaijan			
	Kurdalylar village	AKM/DShK	13	
	Opposite positions	AKM	3	
	Pirverdilar village	AK/AKM	7	
	Jabrayil district, Azerbaijan			
	Ahmadalilar village	AK	37	
	Jojug Marjanli village	AK	40	
	Lala Ilahi heights	AK	59	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM	37	
	Khojavand district, Azerbaijan			
	Opposite positions	AKM/PKM/DShK	325	
	Unnamed heights	AK	2	
	Tartar district, Azerbaijan			
	Borsunlu village	AK/AKM	82	
	Chayly village	AK/AKM	54	
	Damirchilar village	AK	8	
	Gapanli village	AK	60	
	Gaynag village	AK	2	
	Gazyan village	AK/AKM/DShK	35	
	Hasangaya village	AK/AKM/DShK/OSV	134	
	Jamilly village	AK	5	
	Karmiravan village	AK	17	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/DShK/ OSV/SVD	191	1 serviceman of the armed forces of Azerbaijan was killed
	Seyidimli village	AK	2	
	Tazakand village	AK	45	
	Unnamed positions	AK	1	

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used***	*Number of ceasefire violations*	*Casualties and damage*
	Tovuz district, Azerbaijan			
	Aghdam village	AK/AKM	59	
	Aghbulag village	AKM	7	
	Alibayli village	AKM	11	
	Asryk Jirdakhan village	AKM	4	
	Garalar village	AK/AKM	7	
	Kokhanaby village	AK/AKM/DShK	40	
	Munjuglu village	AK/AKM	21	
	Opposite positions	AKM	8	
	Unnamed heights	AKM	24	

Violations of the ceasefire by the armed forces of the Republic of Armenia for February 2018**

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*
1–28 February	**Aghdam district, Azerbaijan**		
	Afatly village	AK	11
	Ahmadali village	AK	20
	Ahmadaghali village	AK/AKM	52
	Ayag Garvand village	AK/AKM	12
	Bash Garvand village	AK	3
	Chamanly village	AK/DShK	86
	Chiragly village	AK/AKM	67
	Evoghlu village	AK	2
	Garadaghli village	AK/AKM	9
	Mammadbaghirly village	AK	39
	Mirashilly village	AK/AKM	44
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/DShK	126
	Orta Garvand	AK/AKM	55
	Saryjaly village	AK	3
	Yuzbashily village	AK/AKM	4
	Zangishaly village	AK/AKM	13
	Aghjabadi district, Azerbaijan	AK/AKM	123
	Gyamaddynly village	AK	33
	Minakhorlu village		
	Aghstafa district, Azerbaijan		
	Kohna Qyshlaq village	AK/AKM/DShK	14

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used***	*Number of ceasefire violations*
	Dashkasan district, Azerbaijan		
	Alkhanchally village	AKM/DShK	13
	Tazakand village	AKM	8
	Zivilyan village	AKM	30
	Opposite positions	AK	2
	Fizuli district, Azerbaijan		
	Ashagy Abdurrahmanli village	AK/AKM	88
	Alkhanly village	AK	45
	Horadiz village	AK	110
	Shukurbayli village	AKM	62
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM	490
	Gazakh district, Azerbaijan		
	Ashaghi Askipara village	AKM	2
	Bala Jafarli village	AK/AKM	19
	Farahli village	AK/AKM/DShK	43
	Jafarli village	AK/AKM	16
	Gaymagly village	AKM/DShK	39
	Gushchu Ayrim village	AKM/DShK	48
	Gyzylhajili village	AK/AKM/DShK	42
	Kamarli village	AK/AKM/DShK	51
	Mazam village	AK/AKM/DShK	7
	Musakoy village	AK/AKM/DShK	35
	Shikhly village	AKM	4
	Unnamed heights	AK/AKM/DShK	67
	Gedebey district, Azerbaijan		
	Dordlar village	AKM/DShK	5
	Gaiakand village	AKM	10
	Gasimaghali village	AKM	20
	Garaveller village	AKM	8
	Goyali village	AKM	23
	Mutudara village	AK/AKM	58
	Novoivanovka village	AK/AKM/DShK	15
	Zamanly village	AK/AKM/DShK	29
	Unnamed heights	AKM	34
	Goranboy district, Azerbaijan		
	Balligaya village	AKM	11
	Borsunlu village	AK	7
	Gargujag village	AKM	5
		AKM	48

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*
	Gulustan village	AKM	5
	Kharkhaput village	AK/AKM	13
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM	75
	Tapgaragoyunlu village	AKM	9
	Unnamed heights	AKM	46
	Unnamed positions	AKM/DShK	19
	Yenikand village	AKM	2
	Yukhari Agjakend village	AKM	6
	Zeyva village		
	Goygol district, Azerbaijan		
	Kurdalylar village	AK/AKM	26
	Pirverdilar village	AKM	9
	Azgylly village	AKM	2
	Jabrayil district, Azerbaijan		
	Ahmadalilar village	AK	22
	Jojug Marjanli village	AK	48
	Lala Ilahi heights	AK	70
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM	28
	Khojavand district, Azerbaijan	AK/AKM	238
	Opposite positions		
	Tartar district, Azerbaijan		
	Borsunlu village	AK/AKM	40
	Chayly village	AK/AKM	13
	Damirchilar village	AK	27
	Gapanli village	AK/AKM	64
	Gazyan village	AK/AKM	45
	Hasangaya village	AK/AKM	110
	Jamilly village	AK	6
	Karmiravan village	AK	20
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/DShK	135
	Tazakand village	AK/AKM	21
	Tovuz district, Azerbaijan		
	Aghdam village	AK/AKM	71
	Aghbulag village	AKM	3
	Alibayli village	AKM	9
	Asryk Jirdakhan village	AKM	4
	Garalar village	AK/AKM	7
	Kokhanaby village	AKM	52
	Munjuglu village	AK/AKM	17

Dates	*Direction (locality)*	*Weapons used****	*Number of ceasefire violations*
	Gosha village	DShK	4
	Opposite positions	AKM	4
	Unnamed heights	AKM	44